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- **FCC Refarming of Spectrum Below 512 MHz**
 - **Viability of Migration Plan**
 - **Spectrum Efficiency Issues**
 - **Flexibility of Spectrum Management Policies**
 - **Flexibility of Technical Rules**

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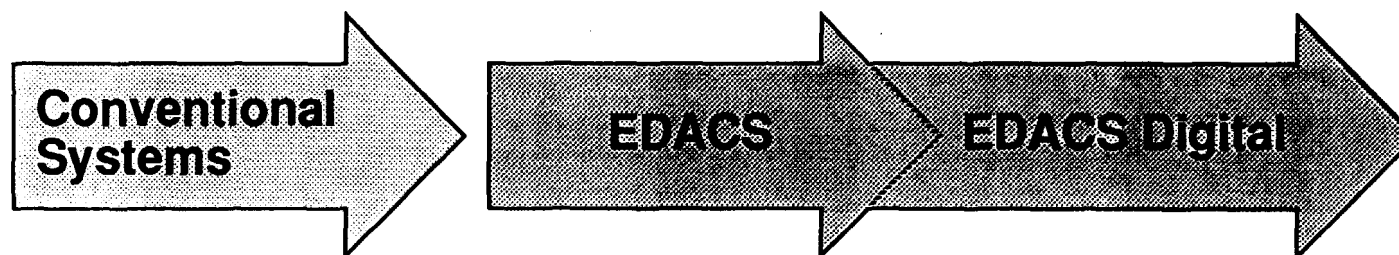
Who Is Ericsson GE ?

We are a joint venture between two global communications

What is EDACS

EDACS is our Enhanced Digital Access Communication System

- **Advanced Digital Trunked Communications System**
- **Frequency Band Independent (150 MHz - 900 MHz)**
- **Designed for maximum:**
 - **Reliability**
 - **Efficiency**
 - **Flexibility**
 - **Expansion capability**
- **EDACS is also our platform for future digital systems**



How Does EDACS Meet Your Requirements

EDACS is designed with features which make it a system an entire Organization such as a City, County or Utility can rely on.

EDACS uses frequencies more efficiently than current technology

Efficiency

An entire Organizations's communication needs can be served by EDACS

Users can be segmented into independent, autonomous groups

Value

All Operating Groups can share a single EDACS network

EDACS constantly monitors and adjusts itself without human intervention

Reliability

The system will perform without constant attention

EDACS is designed to "heal" itself if parts of the system become damaged

Durability

EDACS is designed to continue operating even under catastrophic conditions

Advanced, high speed digital design allows features not available in other systems

Flexibility

EDACS offers integration of advanced features: voice, data, status, messaging

The EDACS architecture and structure is very simple and modular

Longevity

The EDACS design can be expanded and upgraded to accomodate change



Spectrum Management - EGE Position

- **EGE Positions Regarding Spectrum Refarming:**
 - EGE supports the concept of improving spectrum management through Channel Transparent digital technologies
 - Minimize migration burden on users
 - Prevents wholesale obsolescence of existing investment
 - Encourage, establish & mandate progressive levels of *Spectrum Efficiency* based on emerging spectrum efficient technologies
 - Implement & grant Exclusive Use Licenses based on conversion to Spectrum Efficient technologies
 - Centralized Trunking (encourage immediately)
 - Spectrum efficient digital technologies with Channel Transparent migration
 - Do not *preclude* fair & full competition by restrictive *mandatory* policies in setting any *Technical or Interoperability* standards
 - Set spectrum efficiency standard with challenging timetable
 - Permit flexibility in application of technology to achieve spectrum efficiency
 - Encourage *wide choice* of technology for users
 - Create spectrum *bands* by user class
 - Permit flexibility for creation of contiguous Wideband channels ("stacking")

Refarming **Key Points for EGEMC/FCC**

EGE is FOR:

- **Simplification of Pt. 90 Rules**
- **Mandate of Spectrum Efficiency Improvements ("FCC should mandate Efficiency, not Technology")**
- **Flexibility in Application of Technology to Achieve Efficiency**
- **Creating Spectrum "Bands" per User Class**

Allowing Channel "Stacking" (Contiguous)

Refarming **Key Points for EGEMC/FCC**

EGE is AGAINST:

- **Very Narrow Band "Benchmark Technology" mandate by FCC (on basis of unproven technology)**
- **New Allocation of any adjacent narrowband channel that is co-sited with a channel "in-migration"**
- **Interleaving of User Classes in Allocation of Channels**
- **NPRM's Schedule of Implementation**
 - **VNB @ R&O (New Allocations)**
 - **NB @ 1996 (All Channels)**
 - **VNB @ 2004 (All Channel Phase-In by Market)**
- **Mandated Migration where no Spectrum Shortages Exist**

EGE Position on Trunking

- Migration to trunking in all frequency bands must be first step towards increased *Spectrum Efficiency* in the use of PLMR spectrum
- Extend Trunking to VHF (150-174 MHz) and to UHF (450-512 MHz) on existing channel plans
- Establish economic and regulatory incentives such as exclusive use licenses to encourage migration
- Permit interconnection of similar agencies on State Wide or Nation Wide basis via wide area licenses
- Establish reasonable but challenging timetable for Trunking migration
- Validate Channel Transparent migration to increased spectrum efficiency

Advantages of Trunking

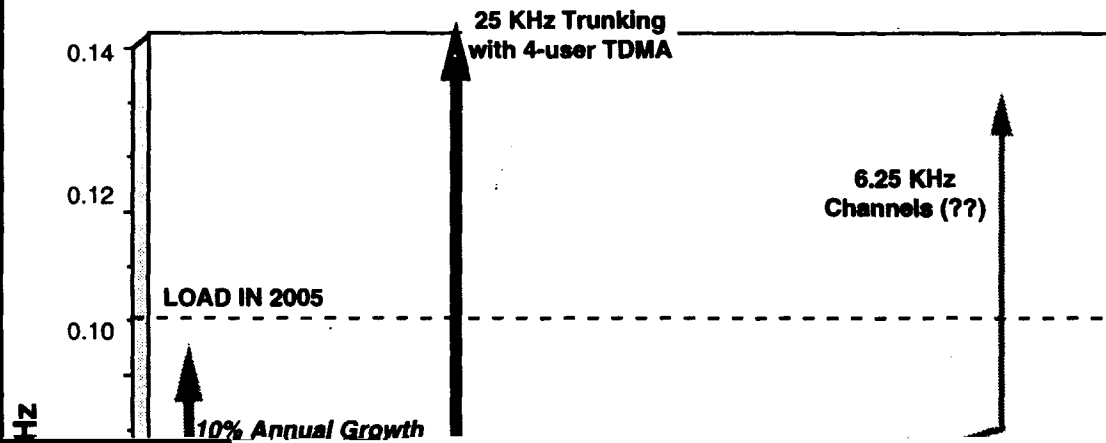
- One System for Multiple Departments or agencies
- Virtual Privacy for Individual User Groups
- Shared Channels for most efficient throughput
- Eliminates Co-channel Interference from Other Users
- Increased Spectral Efficiency
- Higher Degree of Integration of System Services (Voice, Data)

Barriers to Trunking

- Allocation of Frequencies & licenses
- Lack of Regulatory or Economic Incentives
- User Concern With System Resilience & Security
- User Perceptions of Availability of Technology

Spectrum Management Decisions & Consequences

Erlangs/KHz vs. Users/25 KHz of Spectrum

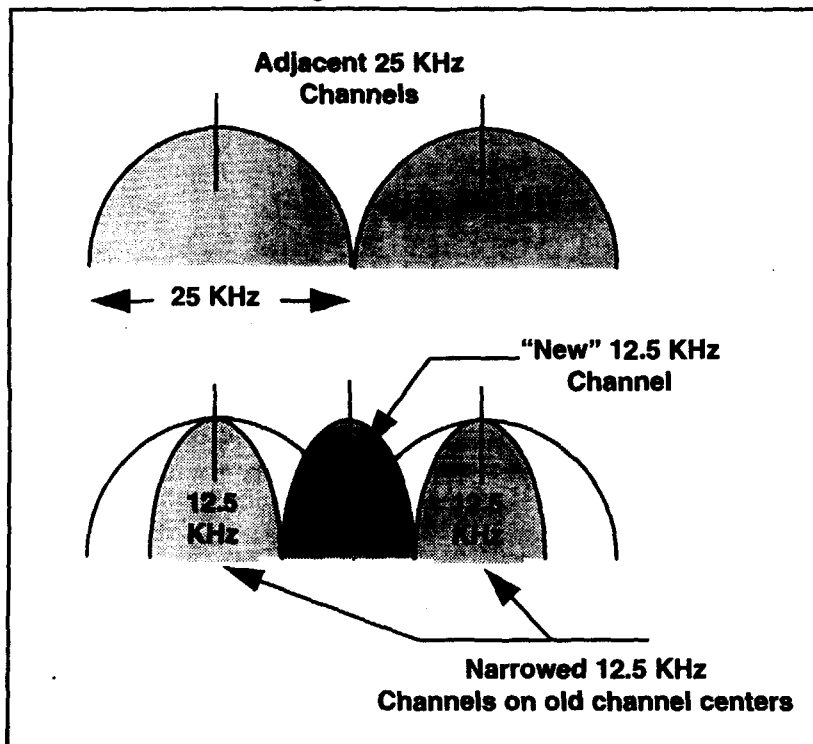


**TRUNKING & TDMA are
flexible alternatives for
spectrum management
vs.**

Spectrum Efficiency

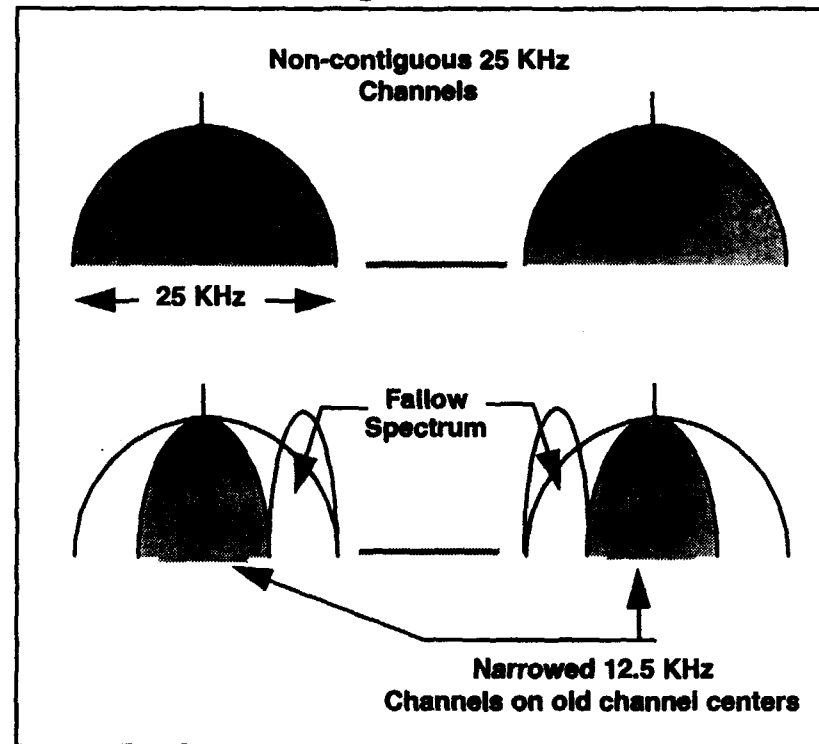
Does 25 kHz to 12.5 kHz Channel Splitting Yield a True 2:1 Gain ? NO !

Case 1: Contiguous 25 kHz Allocations



FDMA GAIN = 3 For 2 OR 50%

Case 2: Non-Contiguous 25 kHz Allocations

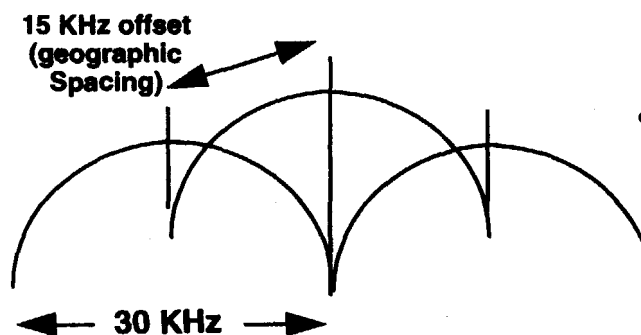


FDMA GAIN = 2 For 2 OR 0%



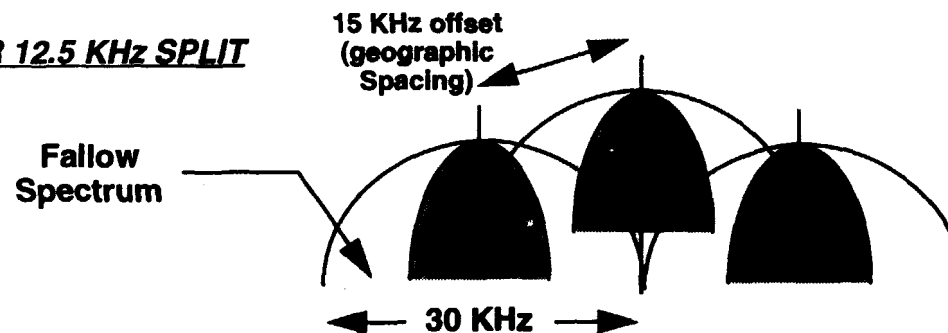
150 - 170 MHz: Gain From 12.5 KHz

TODAY



• 275 Channels Today

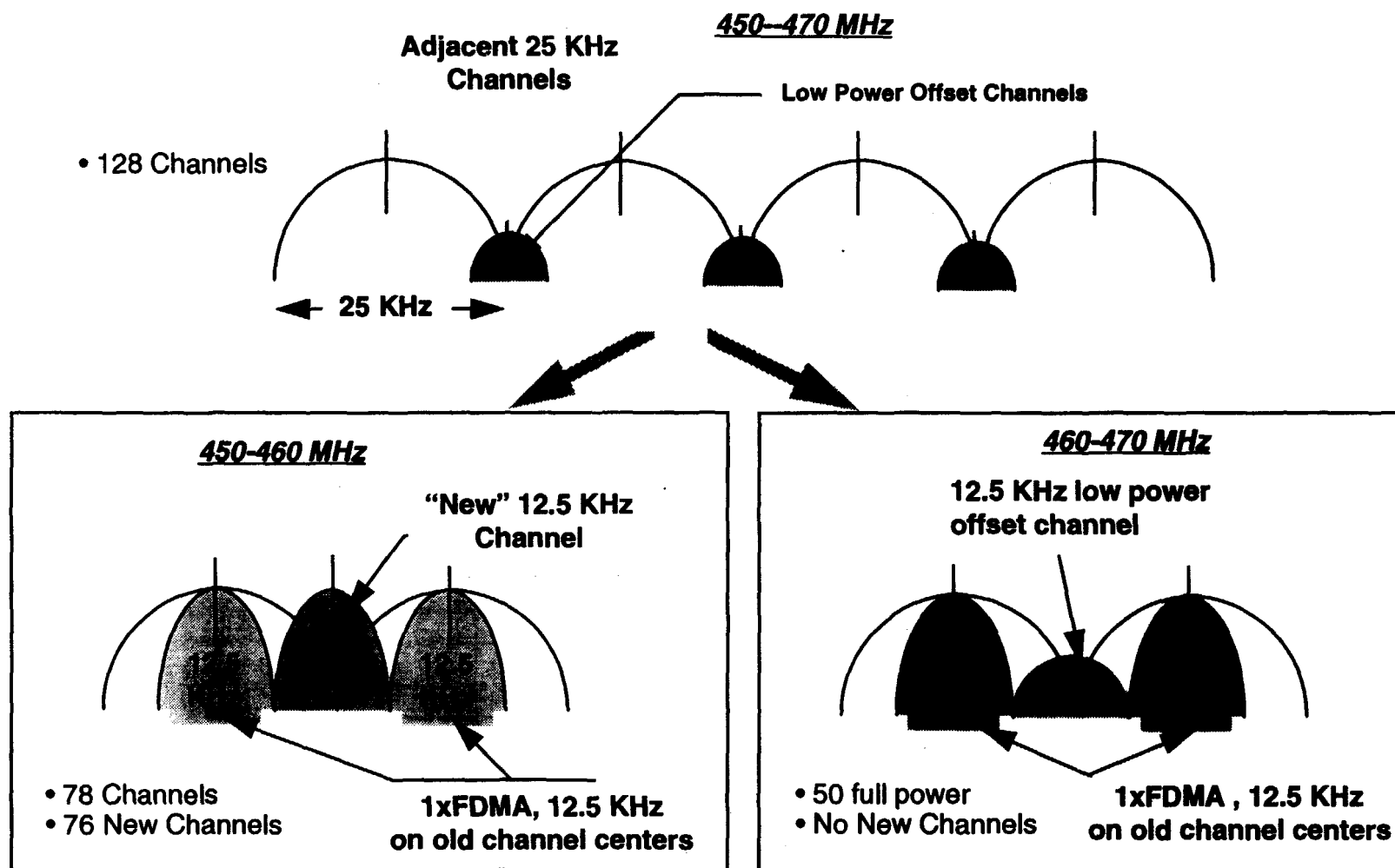
AFTER 12.5 KHz SPLIT



• 275 Channels after 12.5 KHz split
• NO New Channels

Net Gain In Channels at 150 - 170 MHz is 0%

APCO Proposal for 450-470 MHz



Gain in Spectrum Efficiency is Less Than 60%

800 MHz Migration Options With 12.5 KHz FDMA

806-821 MHz

- 70 Channels Today



Adjacent 25 KHz
Channels



821-824 MHz (NPSPAC)

- 230 Channels Today

40 Mile
Separation



Public Safety Spectrum

NOW

Frequency Band	Current PS Channels
150-174 MHz	275
421-512 MHz	128
806-824 MHz	299
Total	702

AFTER 12.5 kHz FDMA

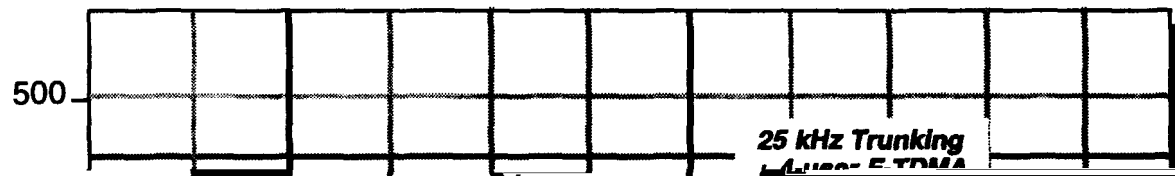
Frequency Band	Current PS Channels	Channels Created by FDMA	% Change
150-174 MHz	275	0	0%
421-512 MHz	128	76	60%
806-824 MHz	299	45	15%
Total	702	121	17%

**12.5 kHz FDMA Yields Insufficient
Capacity in 3-5 Years**

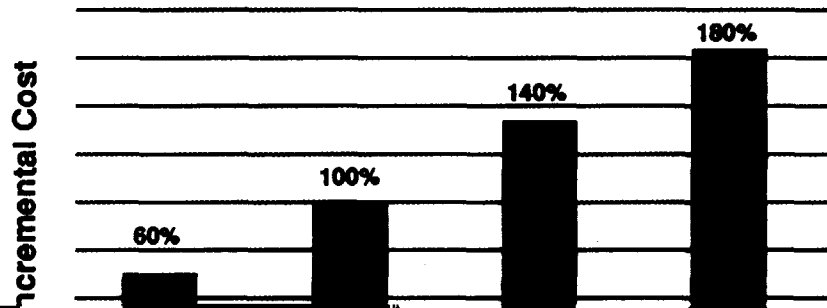
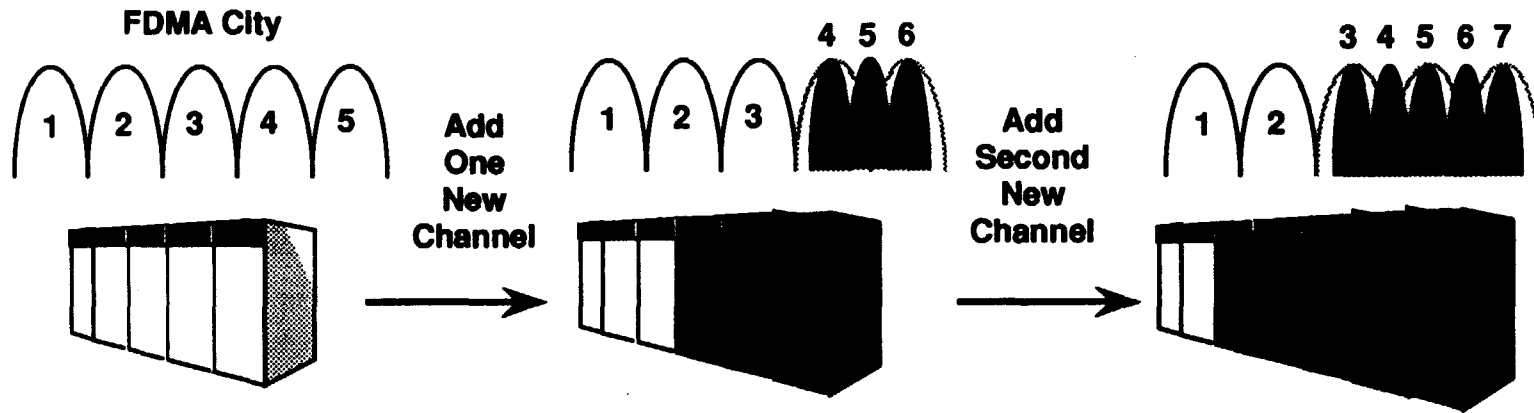


Spectrum Demand vs. Spectrum Management

F-TDMA Gains Spectrum Efficiency *Without* Successive Re-Channelization

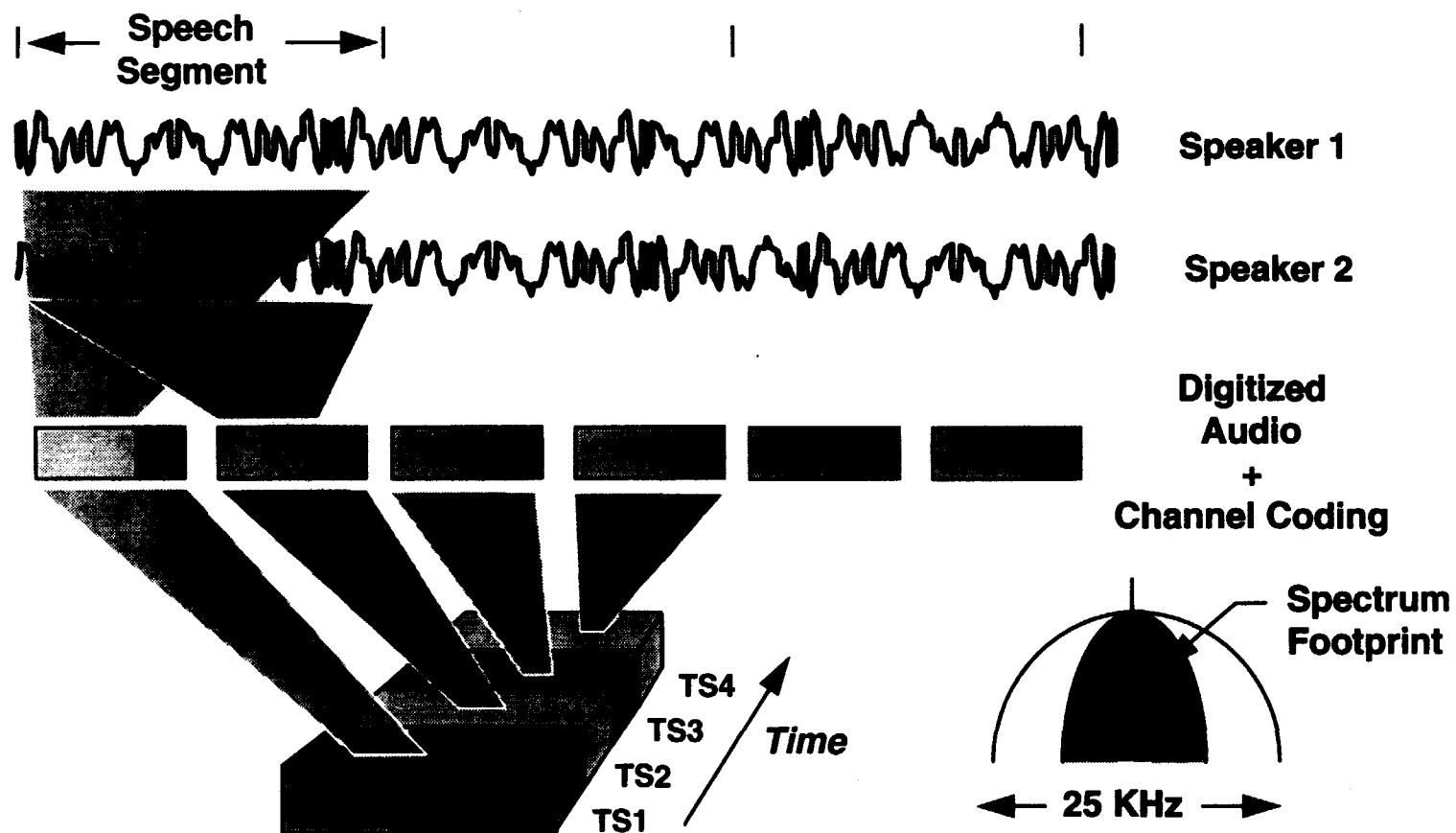


FDMA Economics

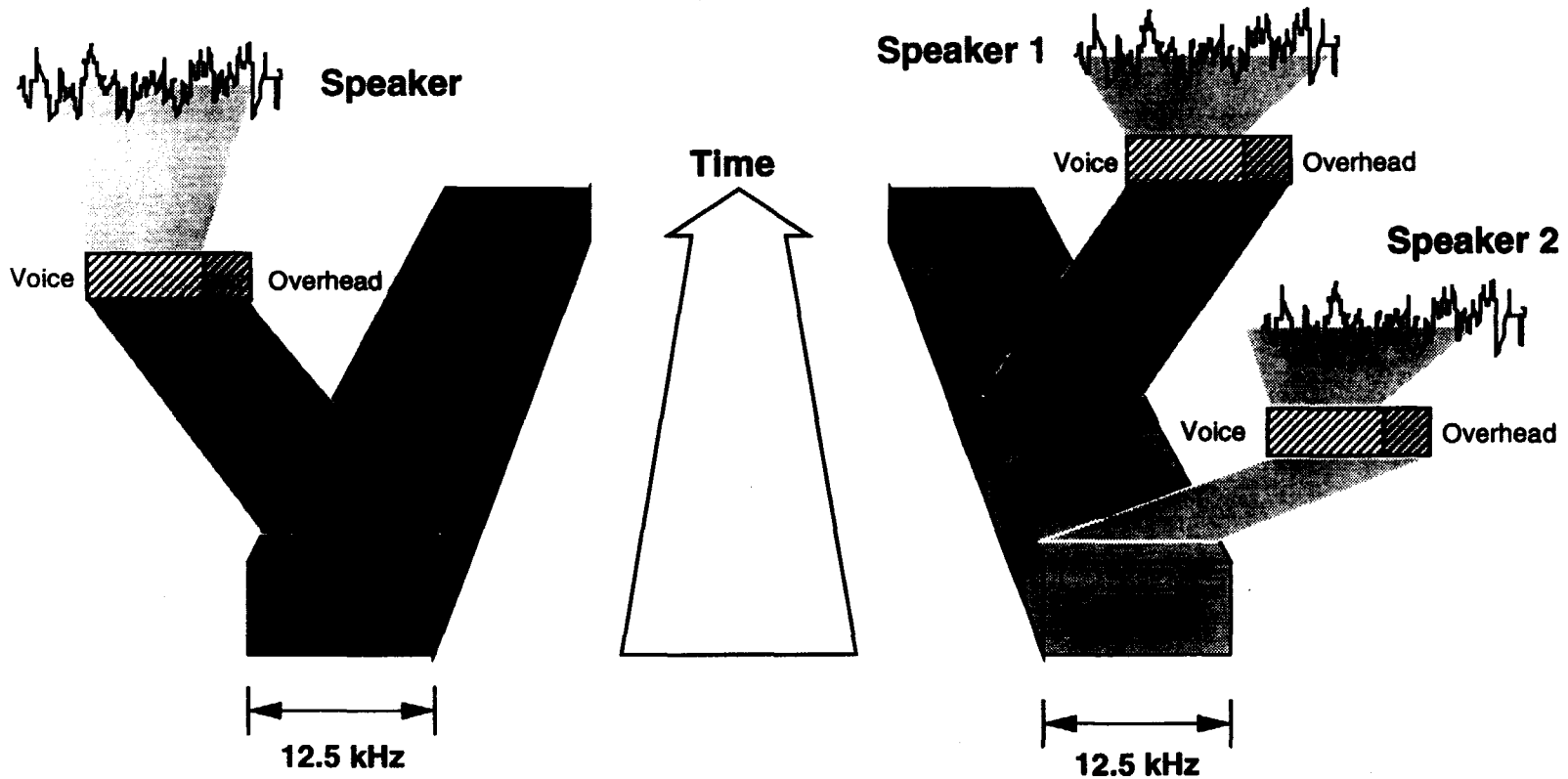


**20% Spectral
Efficiency Gain at
a Cost Increase**

TDMA - How Does It Work ?



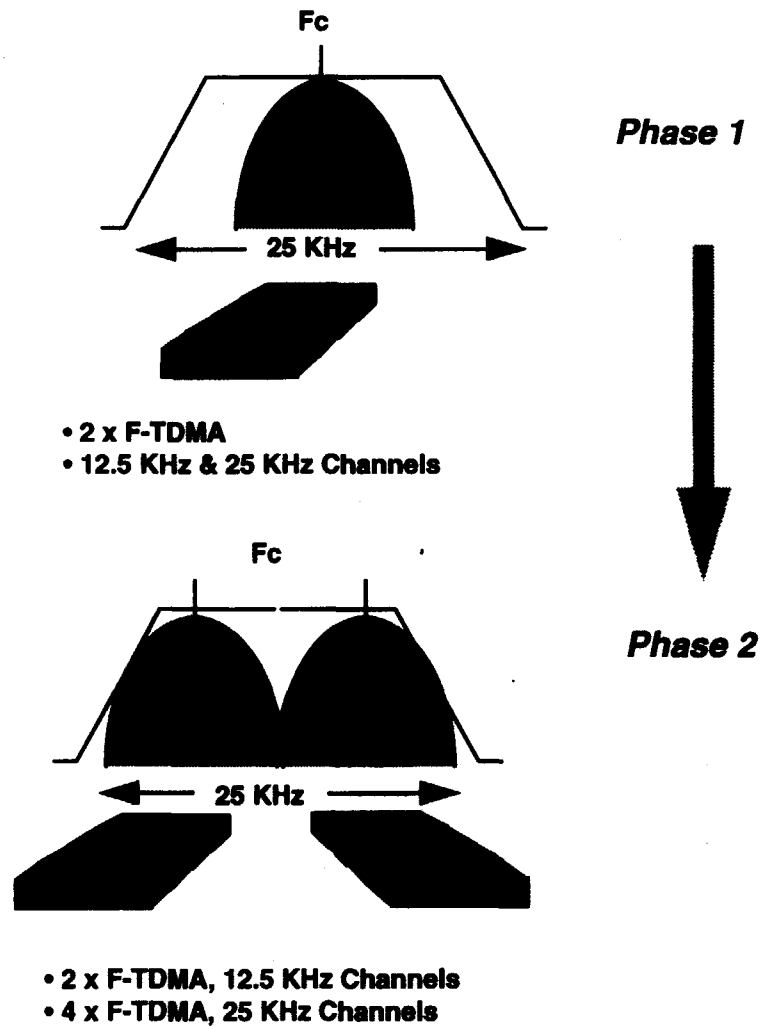
FDMA vs F-TDMA



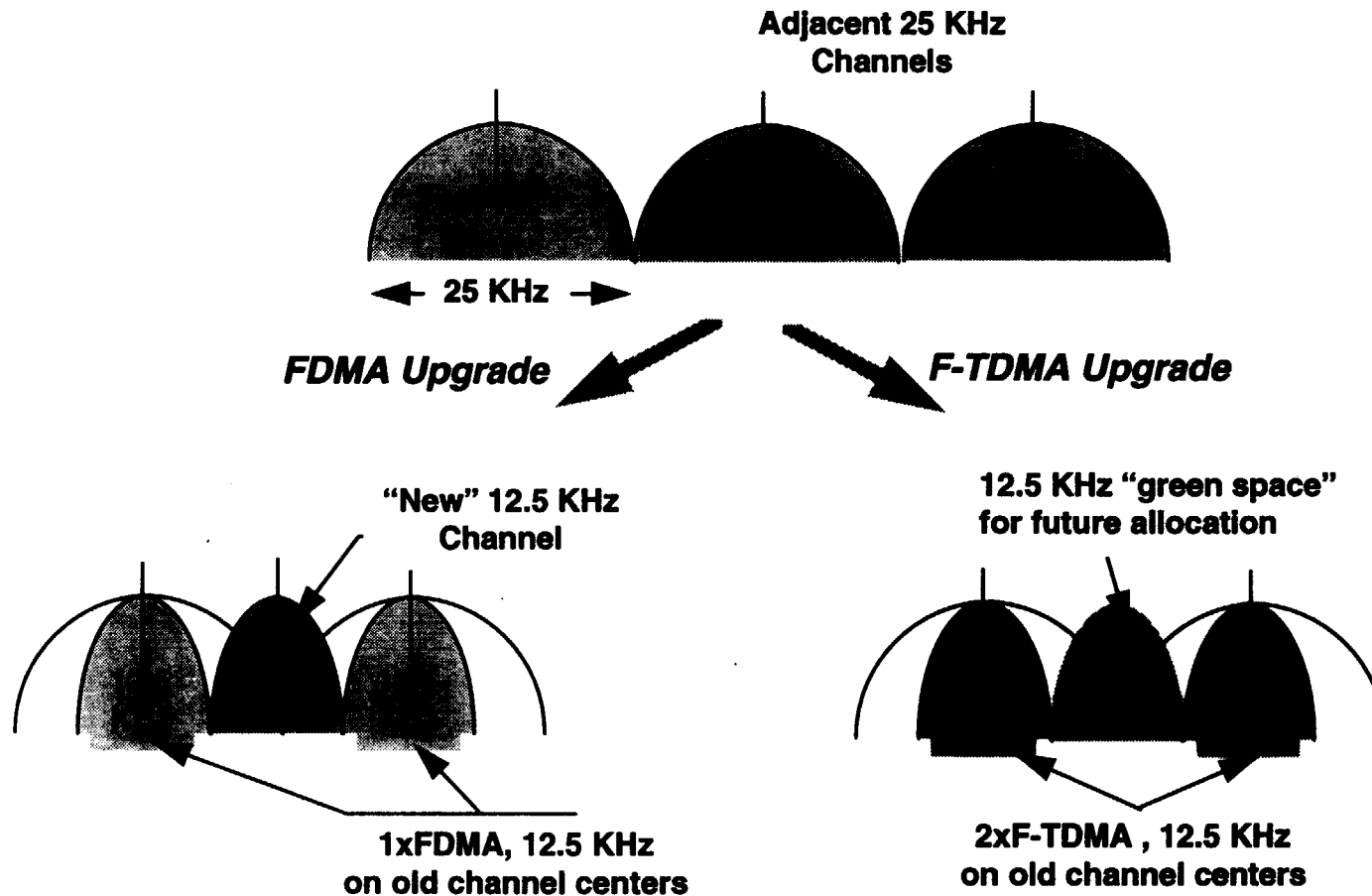
**FDMA Provides 1
User in 12.5 kHz**

**F-TDMA Provides 2
Users in 12.5 kHz**

F-TDMA: Migration



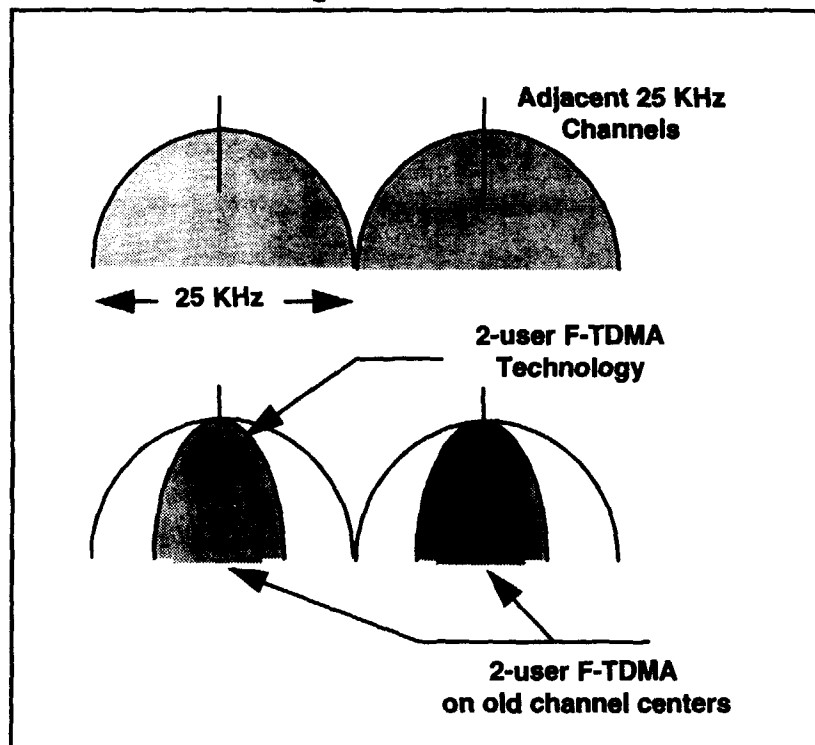
Migration Options: *FDMA* vs *F-TDMA*



Spectrum Efficiency

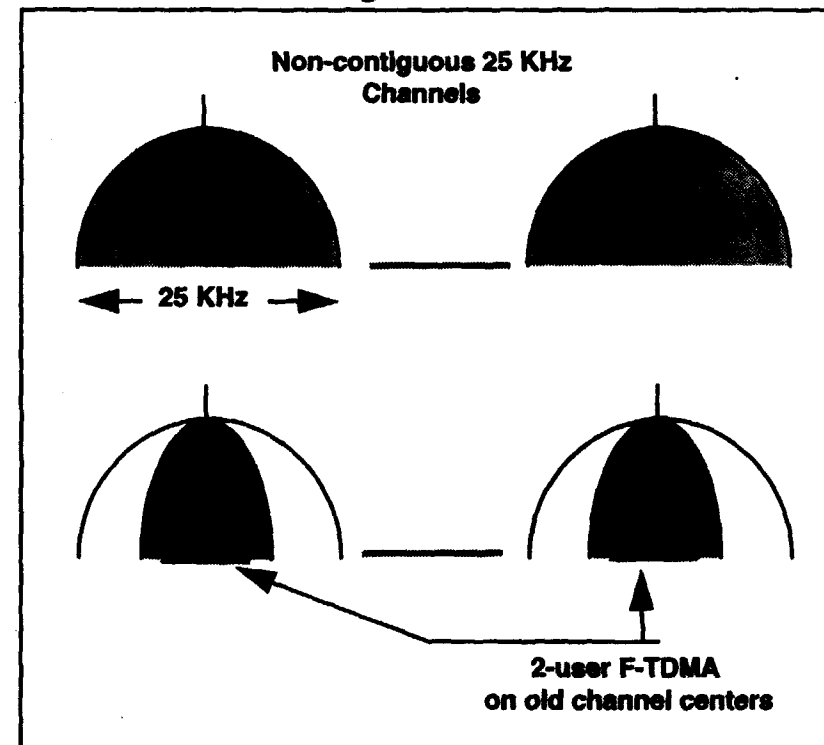
Does F-TDMA on 25 kHz OR 12.5 kHz Yield a True 2:1 Gain ? YES !

Case 1: Contiguous 25 kHz Allocations



F-TDMA GAIN = 4 For 2 OR 100%

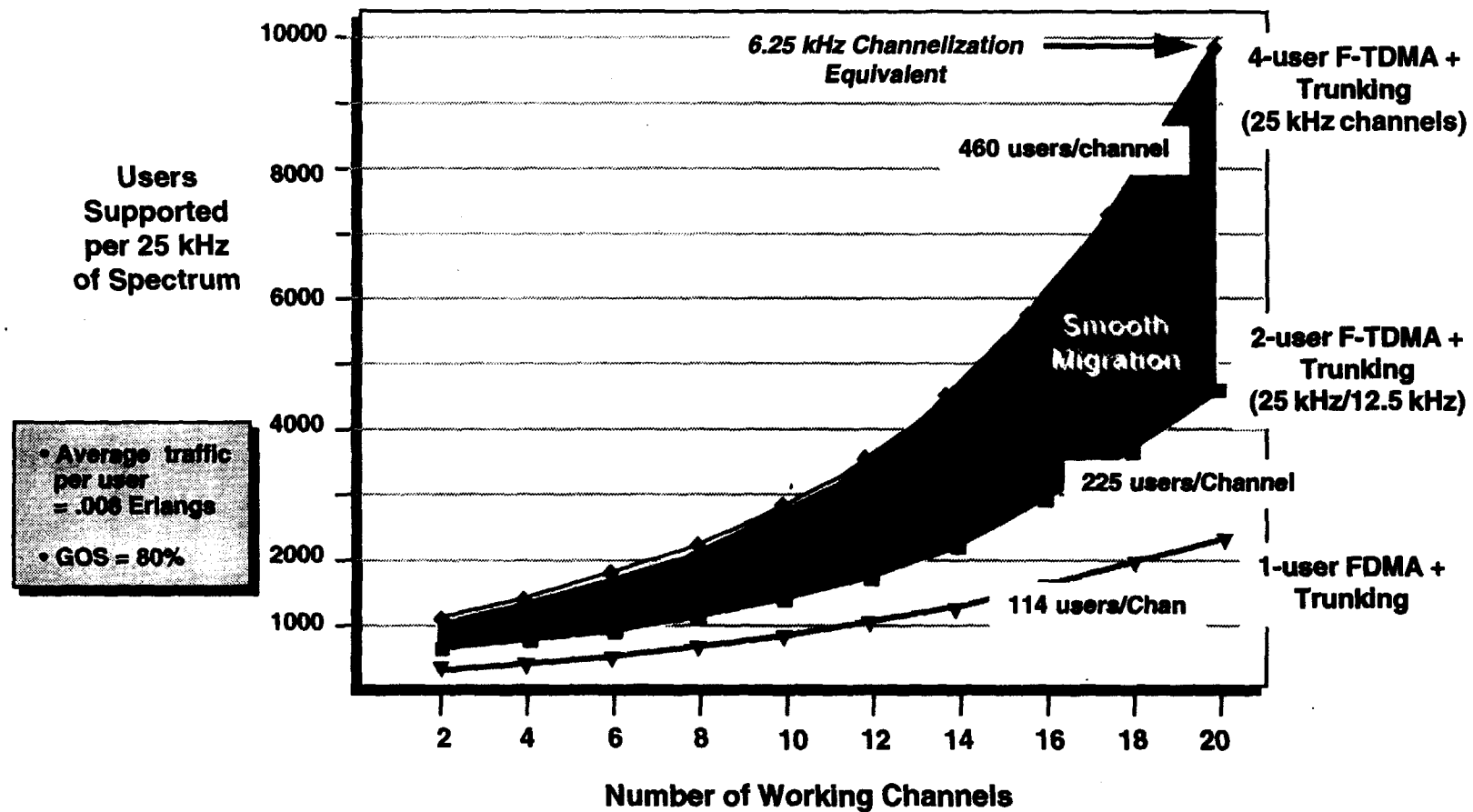
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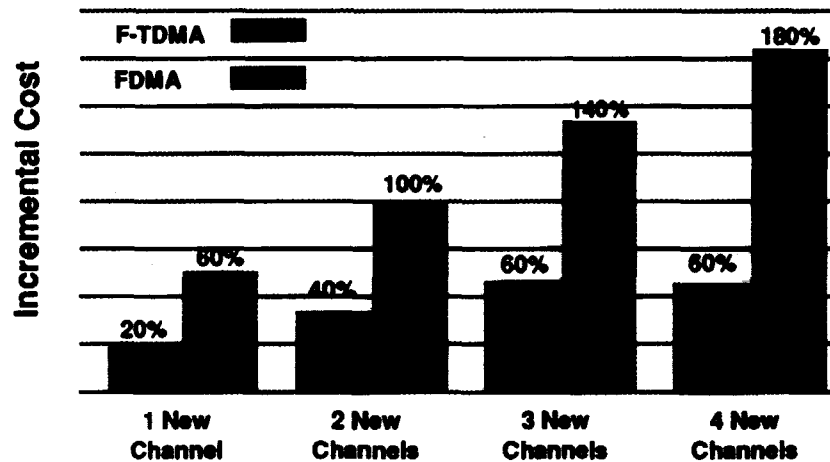
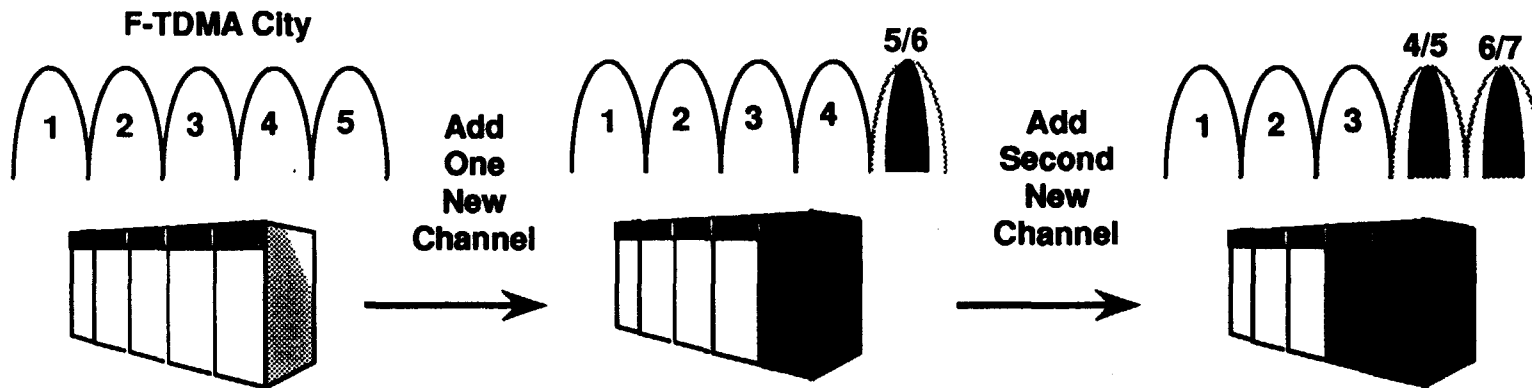
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F-TDMA: Smooth Capacity Migration



F-TDMA Economics



**F-TDMA is
Significantly More
Cost Effective**